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SUBJECT: UNCTAD: ECOSOC RESOLUTION ON INTERMODAL TRANSPORT
CONVENTION

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1. ACCORDING UNCTAD SECRETARIAT, ECOSOC RESOLUTION
1734(LIV) ON INTERMODAL TRANSPORT CONVENTION WILL BE
RAISED AT RESUMED TWELFTH SESSION OF BOARD (MAY 7-10)
UNDER AGENDA ITEM OTHER BUSINESS. SECRETARIAT NOTE WILL
OUTLINE IMPLICATIONS OF RESOLUTION FOR UNCTAD (INCLUDING
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS WHICH WILL BE CONSIDERABLE) AND
WILL SUGGEST FIRST MEETING OF IGG BE HELD OCT. 29- NOV.2,
1973.

2. RE PARA 2 REFTEL, ASSUMPTION BY UNCTAD OF RESPONSIBILITY
FOR WORK ON INTERMODAL TRANSPORT COMES AT INOPPORTUNE TIME FOR
SECRETARIAT WHICH ALREADY HAS OVERLOADED CALENDAR OF MEETINGS.
SHIPPING DIVISION ESPECIALLY OVERBURDENED BY EXISTING ACTIVITIES
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AND IN PARTICULAR EFFORTS OBTAIN CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SHIPPING LINER CONFERENCES. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE OF PREVENTING ADOPTION OF IMCO/ ECE DRAFT TCM CONVENTION HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED: THEREFORE, SUBJECT WILL BE GIVEN LOW PRIORITY BY SECRETARIAT PENDING COMPLETION CURRENT HIGH PRIORITY WORK. SINCE SECRETARIAT IN NO POSITION COMMENCE STUDIES ON WIDE- RANING LIST OF MATTERS INCLUDED IN ECOSOC RESOLUTION, IT LIKELY WAIT FOR GUIDANCE FROM FIRST MEETING OF IGG BEFORE PROCEEDING IN ORDER MAKE MOST EFFECTIVE USE ITS RESOURCES.

3. UNDERSTAND PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON INCLUSION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF ECOSOC RESOLUTION WILL BE SOUGHT BY SEC GEN AT INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH GEOGRAPHIC GROUPS AFTERNOON MAR 15. IF DEPT WISHES INDICATE PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON CONSIDERATION OF ECOSOC RESOLUTION AND PARTICULARLY RE INCLUSION ON AGENDA OF TDB XII AND DATE OF IGG, PLEASE PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS SOONEST. RIMESTAD

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